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In re Application of Bo NIKLASSON

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2000, the period for response to which is set to expire on October 22, 2000.

The office action is a restriction requirement wherein the examiner requires applicant to elect one of the inventions of groups I, II and III for prosecution. Accordingly, applicant hereby elects the invention of group II, claims 4, 6, 7, 9-12 and 14-16, drawn to viral proteins and to kits and vaccines comprising viral proteins.

Respectfully submitted,

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